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Flow-Through Shear Analyser

For Biologically Active

Molecules in Liquid Layers on

Surfaces

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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IN THE CLAIMS

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33. (Added) A flow-through shear analyser, comprising:

- a sample chamber having a measuring surface and a plurality of walls, wherein at least one of the plurality of walls is radiation permeable;
- a supply line fluidly coupled to the sample chamber and supplying a chamber solution to the sample chamber;
- a means for generating extremely thin liquid layers, wherein the means is fluidly coupled to the supply line;
- wherein the means subdivides a volume flow in the supply line by introducing a volume of a fluid that is immiscible with the chamber solution, thereby rendering an adsorption rate of a signal-generating molecule to the measuring

